



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **Hiroaki WAKI et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1743**

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Examiner: **Jan M. Ludlow**

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For: **PREPARATIVE LIQUID CHROMATOGRAPH USING PLURAL  
DETECTORS**

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCESSING REQUESTED**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2006, Applicant amends the claims as follows and submits the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.